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MAPUTO FOR MAYNES, BELGRADE FOR VICE PRESIDENT

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR, UN, RH, SF

SUBJECT:MAPUTO CONFERENCE DOCUMENTS

REF: MAPUTO 630

1. FOR MAPUTO AND MAYNES: CONFIRMING TELCON, WE SUGGEST  
THAT YOU POSE TO UK FOLLOWING COMPROMISE LANGUAGE TO  
ACCOMMODATE CONCERNS EXPRESSED BY FOREIGN SECRETARY OWEN:  
QUOTE: WE DO NOT BELIEVE IT WOULD ADVANCE OUR ABILITY IN  
PURSUING THE INITIATIVES IN WHICH WE ARE NOW ENGAGED WERE  
WE TO ASSOCIATE OURSELVES WITH THE DOCUMENTS OF THIS CON-  
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REFERENCE IN THEIR ENTIRETY. UNQUOTE

2. FOR THE SECRETARY: OUR PROPOSAL WOULD REPLACE FIRST  
SENTENCE PARA 7 OF STATEMENT REFTEL (OWEN MAY BE WORKING  
FROM SOMEWHAT DIFFERENT VERSION, BUT SUBSTANTIVE POINT  
REMAINS THE SAME.) IN OUR PROPOSED REVISION, WE ACCEDE TO  
UK REQUEST THAT QUOTE AT THIS TIME UNQUOTE BE DROPPED(THIS

WAS AN ALLUSION TO PRESIDENT'S SAN FRANCISCO STATEMENT ON NAMIBIA AND POSSIBLE ACTION IN THE UN). BUT WE CONTINUE TO INSIST ON A PARTIAL, NOT COMPLETE DISASSOCIATION FROM THE CONFERENCE DOCUMENTS. IN SUPPORT OF OUR MISSION'S EFFORT, WE SUGGEST THAT YOU SEND THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE TO

FOREIGN SECRETARY OWEN:

QUOTE: DEAR DAVID:

MANY THANKS FOR YOUR MESSAGE ON DEVELOPMENTS AT THE MAPUTO CONFERENCE. I HAVE BEEN FOLLOWING THAT CONFERENCE CAREFULLY AND HAVE BEEN IMPRESSED BY THE FACT THAT IT IS TURNING OUT TO BE A MUCH MORE MODERATE AFFAIR THAN WE HAD ANTICIPATED WHEN WE DISCUSSED THE MATTER EARLIER THIS MONTH. WHILE A FINAL DRAFT CONFERENCE DOCUMENT IS, I UNDERSTAND, NOT YET AVAILABLE, CHANGES THAT ARE BEING RENDERED, AT THE INSISTENCE OF MODERATE AFRICANS, SEEM TO BE DESIGNED TO ACCOMMODATE WESTERN INTERESTS.

GIVEN THAT ENCOURAGING DEVELOPMENT, I BELIEVE IT IMPORTANT THAT WE NOT ABANDON WHATEVER POLITICAL ADVANTAGE WE HAVE GAINED WITH THE AFRICANS IN AGREEING TO PARTICIPATE IN THE MAPUTO CONFERENCE BY DISASSOCIATING OURSELVES FROM ITS FINAL DOCUMENTS. I UNDERSTAND THAT CANADA, FRANCE AND THE FRG ARE PREPARED TO AGREE TO A PARTIAL DISASSOCIATION FROM THE CONFERENCE DOCUMENTS. IN FACT, THERE IS MUCH IN THOSE FINAL DOCUMENTS WHICH REFLECT WESTERN VIEWS AND WESTERN APPROACHES TO THE PROBLEMS OF RHODESIA AND

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NAMIBIA. I PROPOSE THAT OUR STATEMENTS ON THOSE DOCUMENTS SIMPLY REFLECT THAT SITUATION. I UNDERSTAND AND APPRECIATE YOUR CONCERNS BUT BELIEVE THAT PRESERVING THE SKILLFUL COMPROMISE WHICH OUR REPRESENTATIVES HAVE WORKED OUT IS IN OUR MUTUAL INTERESTS. I HAVE ASKED MY REPRESENTATIVES TO CONTINUE TO WORK WITH YOUR DELEGATION AND THOSE OF OUR ALLIES TO MAINTAIN A COMMON POSITION AND IN THAT SPIRIT TO SUGGEST ALTERNATIVE LANGUAGE. I URGE THAT YOU CONSIDER IT FAVORABLY. UNQUOTE

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